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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 16th December 2024

Srimad Bhagavad Gita mass recitation on Dec. 18

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (BLU&TRR)- 'Krishnana Kare,' a city-based organisation is conducting a mass recitation of Bhagavad Gita on Dec.18 at the premises of Maharshi Public School in city.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city, organisation President Ganeshrao said the programme will begin at 9.30 am on Dec.18.

A 27-feet statue of Sri Mahavishnu will be unveiled on that day. Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham, Mysuru,will grace the occasion, Sri Atmaniratamrita Chaitanya Swamiji of Mata Amritanandamayi Mutt, Bengaluru, Sri Muralidhara Sharma of Srishanka Spiritual Pratishthana, Maharshi Public Schools Trustee Bhavani Shankar and others will be present. Former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev will be the main speaker. H.M. Nagarajarao Kalkatte of Chikkamagalur will be present. Over 7,000 students will be participating in the event which will be a good platform to learn Bhagavad Gita.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

A GENTLEMAN AND A POLITICIAN: ***The late 1960s and mid-1970s were exciting times politically. As a student, I happened to visit the Congress Office on Edward Road, Bengaluru, during this period. The young Praja Socialist Party MP from Mandya, S.M. Krishna, had joined the Congress led by Indira Gandhi. It was on that day that I caught my first glimpse of the dapper, cultured and highly educated S.M. Krishna. Little did I know that this man would go on to profoundly impact not just my career but my life.***

In 1999, as Karnataka Congress President, Krishna led the party to victory and was sworn-in as the Chief Minister. For reasons known only to him, he wanted me to serve as the Commissioner of the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA). When I called on him, he simply said over a cup of coffee, "The BDA is in bad shape. See what you can do." And thus began my journey with the BDA.

In December 1999, we undertook the first major demolition of an unauthorised construction on BDA land. Around noon, I received a call from the CM's Office informing me that Krishna wanted to see me. I had barely completed three months in the role and was yet to establish a rapport with him. Anxiously, I made my way to the Vidhana Soudha, where a large group of protestors had gathered against the demolition. Despite the ongoing Cabinet session, Krishna turned to me as I entered and, placing a reassuring hand on my shoulder, asked, "Is the demolition over?" When I replied, "Yes, sir," he smiled and said, "Good." That moment made it clear to everyone that the CM fully supported the BDA's efforts to recover public property.

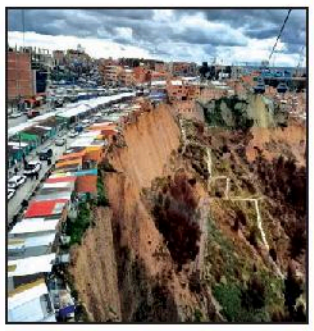
One day, a well-meaning doctor wrote a lengthy letter to the Chief Minister about urgent need for an emergency medicine block at the Bowring and Lady Curzon Hospitals. The CM forwarded the letter to me with just a two word endorsement: "Why not." I said to myself, "This can't be true. Our hands are full. Our priorities are different." At my next weekly meeting I showed him the letter and asked, "Sir, are you serious?" "Of course I am," he replied. And that explains the BDA Block in Bowring Hospital.

S.M. Krishna's commitment to the orderly growth of Bengaluru and her citizens ensured the allotment of over 50,000 sites, the completion of the ORR and new flyovers, among other infrastructural works. Yet, his commitment extended beyond the modernisation of Bengaluru. His appreciation for history and aesthetics inspired efforts to restore Bengaluru's original glory. For the indelible impact he has made on Bengaluru and on me personally, I remain forever honoured and grateful. Thank you, Sir.

—Jayakar Jerome, retired IAS Officer, in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Living on the edge in 'Suicide Homes'



El Alto: Hundreds of buildings located on the edge of a steep earthen cliff on the outskirts of El Alto, in Bolivia, have been dubbed "suicide homes" because of the high risk of a devastating landslide.

Located on Avenida Panorámica and in La Ceja, one of the busiest commercial areas of the city of El Alto, Bolivia's suicide homes have been getting a lot of attention because of their precarious positioning, on the very edge of an earth cliff that has been deemed very susceptible to landslides. In recent weeks, rains have been wreaking havoc in Bolivia's capital and its surrounding area, increasing the risk of a landslide even more. But that doesn't seem to scare the inhabitants of these suicide homes one bit, as most of them refuse to move away. These buildings are inhabited by local shamans known as yatiri and merchants who don't want to give up their place of business even if it means falling to their deaths one day.

Saltiest water body does not freeze at -58 degrees Celsius

McMurdo: Located in Antarctica's McMurdo's Dry Valleys, the shallow Don Juan Pond is the world's saltiest body of water. With a salt content that puts the Dead Sea to shame, it remains liquid even at -58 degrees Celsius.

The world's saltiest Don Juan Pond is tucked away in a valley in one of the driest environments on Earth, where it never rains and rarely snows. The few other ponds in the area are capped by several meters of solid ice, but the calcium-chloride-rich waters of the Pond very rarely freeze. The salt particles lower the freezing of water by moving between molecules and preventing the formation of ice crystal lattice.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Seek Help for Severe Burns: For large or severe burns, cover the burn with a clean cloth and seek emergency medical attention immediately.

By Dr. Amoghavarsha - Emergency Specialist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Pensioners Day celebrations in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec.16- Karnataka State Government Retired Employees Association President B.R. Umakanth has said that the Association is organising a function at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar here on Dec. 17 to celebrate Pensioners Day.

Speaking to the media at Pathrakartara Bhavan in the city, he said that an awareness programme by the Heads of District Treasury and Income Tax Department is also slated to be held on that day. The new calendar for the year 2025 will be released and senior-most citizens will be felicitated.

Also, Ayushman Health Cards will be distributed to citizens who have completed 70 years of age, said Umakanth and appealed the eligible pensioners to bring their Aadhaar Card and Aadhaar-linked mobile phones.

On Dec. 29 at 11 am, the Association will be conducting a free health check-up camp along with the Heart Organisation Institute at Ramakrishna Vidya Mandira in city. Senior citizens and pensioners may make use of this opportunity.

Association General Secretary C. Chikkalingaswamy, Asst. Secretary Nagesh, Director Krishnashetty, Shankar and Srinivas were present.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	Harangi DAM
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Today's level **124.80 feet**	Today's level **2,279.94 feet**	Today's level **2,834.25 feet**
Last year's level **96.58 feet**	Last year's level **2,273.75 feet**	Last year's level **2,833.37 feet**
Yesterday's level **124.80 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,279.98 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,834.63 feet**
Today's Inflow **4,380 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **983 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **573 cusecs**
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11-day Flower Show at Mysore Palace from Dec. 21

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MTY&BCT)- The annual Flower Show will be held at the iconic Mysore Palace from Dec. 21 to Dec. 31, 2024, offering visitors an exquisite experience of nature's artistry.

Organised by the Mysore Palace Board, this annual event — tenth this year — will feature a dazzling array of flowers, innovative floral models and cultural highlights.

The Flower Show will be open to visitors and tourists daily from 10 am to 9 pm, with evening Palace illumination from 7 pm to 9 pm, adding a magical touch to the entire venue. Entry to the Flower Show is free for children below 10 years, Rs. 10 for children above 10 years and Rs. 30 for adults and foreigners.

The event will be inaugurated on Saturday, Dec. 21 at 5 pm by Mysuru District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa in the presence of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Union Minister of Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy and a host of other dignitaries.

According to a media release by Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya, the sprawling Palace will turn into a floral wonderland for 11 days and the Palace will glow under the brilliance of its famed electrical illumination, adding an enchanting aura to the floral extravaganza.

25,000 flower pots

This year, approximately 25,000 different types of decorative flower pots, including Marigold, Salvia, Dahlia, Petunia, Chrysanthemum, Coleus, Celosia, Nasturtium, Anthurium, Verbena, Geranium, Casuarina, Aster, Gaillardia, Splendour and Bonsai plants will be displayed.

In addition, over 35 other varieties of flower plants, as well as an estimated 6 lakh various flowers such as Roses, Chrysanthemums, Ping pong, Carnations, Alstroemeria, Gerbera, Anthurium, Orchids, Blue Daisy and other decorative flowers, along with cut flowers from Ooty, will be showcased.

Captivating floral models

The highlights of the floral displays include the model of Akshardham Temple at New Delhi (50 ft wide, 16 ft long, 25 ft high), Maharaja Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and Lord Nanjundeshwara of the famed Srikanteshwaraswamy Temple in Nanjangud, models of an eagle, baby elephant, tortoise and the royal emblem of Gandabherunda.

In addition, there will be Bandipur-inspired wildlife floral models, featuring six animals and four birds, a selfie point with a hat and a mango design, Kargil War Memorial and Constitution Preamble models and a floral entrance to the Doll House or Bombe Mane.

Also, a floral model depicting the five guarantee schemes of the Karnataka Government will be on display. All the signboards inside the Palace will be decorated florally to mark the 10th Flower Show.

(See SHOW on page 7)

Anil Kumble visits Palace with family

***Former International Cricketer Anil Kumble** (centre), who visited Mysore Palace this morning along with his wife Chethana Ramatheertha, daughters Svasti Kumble and Aaruni Kumble, seen with Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya.*

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (VNS)- Former International Cricketer Anil Kumble visited Mysore Palace this morning along with his wife Chethana Ramatheertha and daughters Aaruni Kumble and Svasti Kumble.

The Kumble family was accorded a traditional welcome by Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya, who also made arrangements for them to take a complete tour of the Palace.

(See KUMBLE on page 7)

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NEWS BRIEFS

Annual Day at St. Thomas

St. Thomas Institutions, under the Mar Thoma Education Society (MES), are celebrating the 60th Annual Day, Vasanthotsav - 2024, at its campus in Vishweswaranagar on Dec. 17 at 4 pm. Rev. Shaiju P. John, Manager of St. Thomas Institutions, Mysuru, will preside. Rt. Rev. Dr. Gregorios Mar Stephanos Episcopa, Bishop of the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church, Chennai-Bangalore Diocese and President of Mar Thoma Education Society, Mysuru, will be the chief guest. Sam Cherian Kumbukattu, Hon. Secretary, MES, Mysuru; Prof. Shobana Thomas, Hon. Treasurer, MES and Gracy Thomas, Baskyamo, Mar Thoma Syrian Church, Mysuru, will be the guests of honour.

Free Mass Marriage at Suttur

As part of the 6-day annual JSS Jathra Mahotsava scheduled to take place at Suttur in Nanjangud taluk from Jan. 26 to 31, 2025, a free mass marriage has been organised at Suttur on Jan. 27. Interested and eligible brides and bridegrooms can register before Jan. 15, 2025. Prescribed registration forms are available at JSS Mahavidyapeetha located near Gun House Circle, Mysuru or at JSS Institutions office in Suttur, Nanjangud taluk. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548212/122 or Mob: 94486-74702 or 97413-42222 or 94490-30588.

Award presentation

Karnataka Sangha - M.L Srikanteshagowda Research Centre, Mandya, has organised S.M. Lingappa Award Presentation Ceremony on Dec. 18 at 5.30 pm at K.V. Shankaragowda Centenary Hall in Karnataka Sangha premises in Mandya. Bharat Scouts & Guides State Commissioner PGR Sindhia will confer the award on Co-operator Y.N. Shankaregowda. Karnataka Sangha Director K. Jayaramu Konanahalli will deliver felicitation address. ManMUL President Dr. P.R. Manjesh will preside.

Excels in Kho-Kho

S. Bhuvan

S. Bhuvan, a 2nd PUC student of Hari Vidyalaya, Mysuru, was part of the Karnataka State Team which secured 3rd place in the 43rd (U-18) Boys National Kho-Kho Tournament 2024 organised by Kho Kho Federation of India at Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh, recently.

Four arrested for stealing electric motors from factory at Hebbal

Stolen items worth Rs. 10 lakh recovered

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (KS)- Vijayanagar Police have arrested four persons on charges of stealing electric motors from a factory in Hebbal and have recovered the stolen items besides seizing two goods vehicles, all worth Rs. 10 lakh from them.

Those arrested are 52-year-old Salim Pasha alias Ladda Kaleem of Goripalya, 36-year-old Mohammed Tousif Pasha of Kalasipalya and 30-year-old Salman Khan of Padarayanapura, all in Bengaluru and 38-year-old Mujahid Khan alias Maimun of Chinthamani in Chikkaballapur taluk.

On Nov. 30, the four accused, who gained entry into Dechem Resins Limited in Hebbal by forcibly opening the rolling shutters, made away with electric motors and iron items from the factory. Based on the complaint, Vijayanagar Inspector Suresh Kumar had registered a case and conducted an investigation.

Following information, the Police, on Dec. 7, stopped two goods vehicles KA-51-AA-5556 and KA-41-A-8270 on suspicion on KRS Road and inspected the vehicles during which they came to know that the two vehicles were transporting the stolen items.

The Cops, who brought both the vehicles and its occupants to the Police Station and interrogated them during which the Police came to know that the four occupants of the two goods vehicles were thieves and arrested them.

Based on the information provided by the accused, the Police have recovered electric motors and iron items worth Rs. 3 lakh, besides seizing two goods vehicles worth Rs. 7 lakh from them.

Accused Salim Pasha has a robbery case registered against him at Udayagiri Police Station, murder case at Mandi Police Station and had gone absconding. Another accused Mujahid Khan has robbery cases registered against him at Chikkaballapur and at Nandi Police Station. Mohammed Tousif is involved in a murder case at Kalasipalya Police limits.

Deputy Commissioner Of Police (DCP) - Crime and Traffic S. Jahnavi and Vijayanagar Sub-Division ACP G.S. Gajendra Prasad, guided Vijayanagar Inspector S.D. Suresh Kumar, Sub-Inspectors K. Narayana and Srikrishna and staff Shankar, Pradeep, D. Paramesh, K.N. Lokesh, K.N. Manjunath, N. Venkatesh, A.M. Paramesh, Ranjitha, Chandrashekar, M. Pradeep, Kumar, Manju, Shyamsundar and others in the nabbing and recovery operation.

Rider dies after hitting car

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&KS)- A two-wheeler rider was killed on the spot after ramming into a car near Abhishek Circle, Hebbal in city early this morning.

The deceased has been identified as Ganesh (49), son of Sridhar and a resident of MG Koppal in city. Ganesh, who runs a provision store in MG Koppal, used to deliver milk to houses in the morning.

This morning at about 5.45, Ganesh was on his way to deliver milk on his TVS Jupiter scooter and when he was proceeding from Surya Bakery side towards Abhishek Circle, a man was reversing his car near Abhishek Circle. Ganesh rammed into the car and fell down sustaining serious head injuries and died on the spot.

VV Puram Traffic Inspector Lava, Sub-Inspector Gautham Gowda and staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar, registered a case, seized both the vehicles involved in the accident and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem.

NIE Assistant Professor no more

Dr. Sunil S.R. Gaekwad

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Dr. Sunil S.R. Gaekwad (36), Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering and Deputy Dean at The National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru and residing near Vivekananda Circle, passed away following brief illness in city last night.

He is survived by his mother Sunanda, sister Dr. Shivali Gaekwad, a dentist and a host of colleagues, students, relatives and friends. His father Surendra Rao Gaekwad had predeceased him a few years ago. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon, according to family sources.

Former CM S.M. Krishna's ashes immersed in River Cauvery

Mandya, Dec. 16 (VNS)- The ashes of former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna, who passes away on Dec. 10, were immersed in River Cauvery at Paschima Vahini in Srirangapatna here yesterday.

Amartya Hegde, Krishna's grandson, immersed ashes after completing the rituals under the guidance of astrologer Dr. V. Bhanuprakash Sharma.

Amartya's wife Aishwarya, S.M. Krishna's daughters Malavika and Shambavi and other family members were present.

Tabla Maestro Zakir Hussain passes away

New Delhi, Dec. 16 (Agencies)- Renowned Tabla Maestro Zakir Hussain passed away at a hospital in San Francisco, USA, on Monday. He was 73.

The family, in a statement, said Zakir Hussain died from Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) complications.

The Tabla Maestro, who had been hospitalised for the past two weeks, was being treated at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

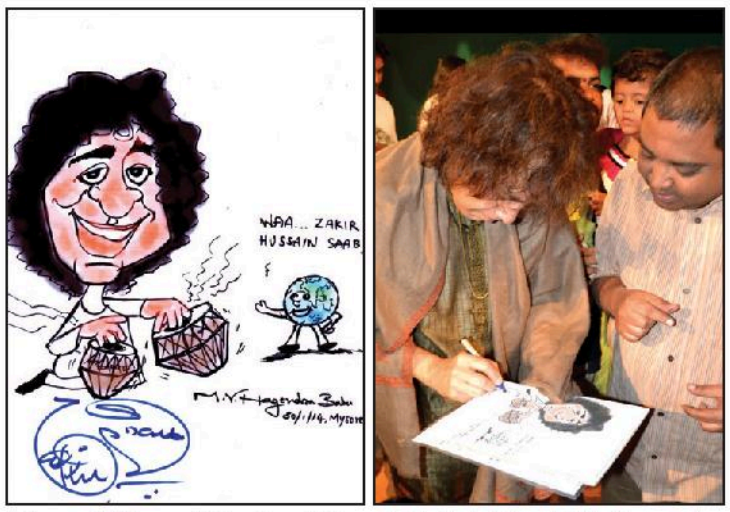
Hussain's sister Khurshid Aulia said, he passed away "very peacefully." Zakir Hussain is survived by his wife Antonia Minnecola and two daughters, Anisa Qureshi and Isabella Qureshi.

Born on Mar. 9, 1951, Zakir Hussain was the son of legendary Tabla Artiste Ustad Alla Rakha. Zakir Hussain has received four Grammy Awards, including

Zakir Hussain

three at the 66th awards ceremony earlier this year. He was also decorated with *Padma Shri* in 1988, *Padma Bhushan* in 2002 and *Padma Vibhushan* in 2023 by the Government of India.

From the *SOM* archives



'Star of Mysore' Cartoonist and Fulbrighter M.V. Nagendra Babu (Banter Babu) had drawn the caricature of Tabla Maestro Zakir Hussain and taken his autograph when the Tabla Maestro was in Mysuru on Jan. 30, 2014 to perform at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram on Nanjangud Road.

VOICE OF THE READER

An eyesore on KRS Road

Sir,

If you're travelling to Brindavan Gardens via KRS Road, you cannot overlook the unsightly garbage pile-up just past the railway crossing near the Brigade Symphony Apartment.

This disheartening scene stands in stark contrast to Mysuru's aspiration of being one of the cleanest cities in India. Passers-by, whether on two-wheelers or in cars, routinely toss their trash here without a second thought, turning the area into an eyesore.

The adage 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness' must transcend words and find expression in our daily lives. While authorities have a responsibility to maintain cleanliness and enforce penalties for littering, citizens too must rethink their careless attitude toward public spaces.

Will we embrace a cleaner and more responsible way of living? Only time will tell.

—Kasi Ganeshan
Metagalli
10.12.2024

A highly enjoyable and thought-provoking play

Mysuru, Dec. 16- The English play "Speak Your Mind" was staged under the aegis of Kalasuruchi in city recently as part of the quarterly production project by METF (Mysore English Theatre Forum), under the direction of A.K. Monnappa.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable experience, with a sharp script and perfectly cast roles. The play explored the complexity of relationships in American society, revolving around a young couple and the girl's mother, a cancer survivor, who is contemplating marriage after receiving a proposal.

The daughter tries to dissuade her mother, using an imagined version of her late father to justify her resistance. This brought out daughter's mixed emotions and subtle dynamics within the family.

Adding an intriguing layer to the story was the son-in-law, who was both surprised and pleased at the prospect of a possible inheritance if the mother remarried. This led to a crisp exchange between the young couple, as the wife fiercely questioned his motives, bringing humour and tension into the narrative. Dialogues were sharp, blending satire and light mockery, while the play carried hidden emotions beneath its humour and anguish. The natural acting and excellent chemistry between the cast members added to the impact. Costumes and the stage were highlights of the play. Technical aspects, including lighting and sound, were well-executed.

It was a highly enjoyable and thought-provoking venture, leaving the audience reflecting on the intricacies of relationships and human motives. Congratulations to Monnappa, Anuradha Nandakumar, the new talented find for METF Krishna and Keerti for a wonderful presentation. Kudos to METF, Kalasuruchi and the entire team. — **Dr. Madhuri Kulkarni**

ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

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Varicocele Embolisation successfully performed at Narayana Hospital

Dr. M.N. Ravi, Clinical Director, Narayana Hospital, seen addressing the media in city recently as Dr. Shailesh Pene and Dr. S. Nitesh look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (KS)- Narayana Hospital, Mysuru, has successful performed its first-ever Varicocele Embolisation procedure, showcasing its commitment to providing advanced, minimally invasive treatments in the region.

Recently, 25-year-old Shivappa (name changed) visited Narayana Hospital with complaints of left testicular swelling and dragging pain. On consultation with Dr. S. Nitesh, Consultant Urologist and Andrologist, the patient was diagnosed with grade III Varicocele. As the patient sought non-surgical alternative, the doctor advised him to consult Dr. Shailesh Pene, a specialist Radiologist of the Hospital.

Following evaluation by Dr. Shailesh Pene, the team recommended a minimally invasive approach — Varicocele Embolisation. A team of expert medical professionals, led by Dr. Shailesh Pene, successfully performed this procedure, bringing immense relief to the patient.

Varicocele refers to enlarged veins in the scrotum that disrupt normal blood flow, leading to swelling, discomfort and potential infertility, a common cause contributing to infertility in men.

Varicocele Embolisation offers a highly effective non-surgical alternative as it avoids pain, scarring, bleeding and hematoma, providing patients a quicker recovery.

"Varicoceles are enlarged veins in a male's scrotum that cause abnormal blood flow, leading to swelling, pain, discomfort or infertility. This condition affects 15 to 20 percent of the population. At Narayana Hospital, we successfully performed this procedure. The outcome has been excellent and we are proud to offer such advanced care to our patients," Dr. Shailesh Pene said at the press meet in city recently.

Dr. M.N. Ravi, Clinical Director, Narayana Hospital, Mysuru, remarked: "This successful Varicocele Embolisation exemplifies the multi-disciplinary and comprehensive care available at Narayana Hospital."

Dr. Nitesh said: "Varicoceles are a significant cause of male infertility. This successful case highlights how advanced procedures like embolisation can make a difference in patient care."

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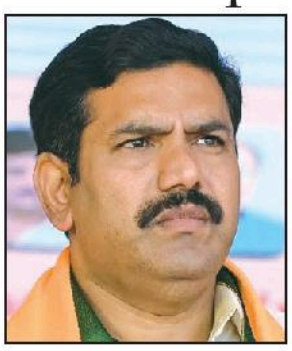
Twist to Rs. 150 crore allegation against B.Y. Vijayendra

Siddaramaiah's statement is false, says Anwar Manippady

'Not BJP but Congress leaders offered money to stay silent on Waqf Board land encroachments'

Siddaramaiah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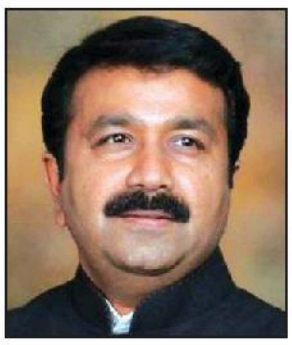

N.A. Harris

K. Rahman Khan

Mangaluru, Dec. 16 (DM)- A day after Chief Minister Siddaramaiah alleged that State BJP President B.Y. Vijayendra offered Rs. 150 crore to Anwar Manippady, the then Chairman of the Karnataka State Minorities Commission, to remain silent on the encroachment of Waqf Board properties, the controversy has taken a new twist with Manippady dismissing the CM's claims as completely baseless.

Speaking to reporters at Mangaluru yesterday, Manippady dismissed Siddaramaiah's allegations that he (Manippady) was offered Rs.150 crore by Vijayendra for maintaining silence on Waqf Board property encroachments.

Maintaining that he did not know who Vijayendra was in 2012-13, but had only heard his name, Manippady said that it was Congress leaders who had offered him money then.

Asserting that he had vented his anger at his own party, the BJP, for failing to implement the recommendations made in his report on Waqf Board properties, he said he was also angered by the actions of his own partymen who had stalled the implementation of the recommendations.

Admitting that he had written to the Prime Minister seeking a CBI probe into Waqf Board properties encroachment, he clarified that he was not offered any money by BJP leaders.

CBI probe will land Congress in soup

Contending that the ordering of a CBI probe on the findings of his report would land many Congress leader in trouble, Manippady said the Chief Minister should act on the recommendations of his report if at all he had any care or concerns for the Minorities.

Continuing, Manippady said that the Sub-Registrar value of Waqf properties in the State was Rs. 2.30 lakh crore when he took over as Minorities Commission Chairman over a decade ago. He wondered how the Siddaramaiah Government had issued notices only to agricultural lands owned by farmers and why it recalled the notices after much uproar by the Opposition.

Pitting communities with each other

Opining that the Congress Government's actions were aimed at turning the minor and major communities against each other, he said that his report has been accepted by the High Court, Supreme Court and also the Lokayukta. The Siddaramaiah Government must order a probe based on the findings of his report and the guilty must be punished.

Noting that there would be no need for agitation on Waqf row if a probe is ordered, he observed that the BJP has taken up the Waqf Board issue as it seems there is no other way for it.

"The BJP has been raising the issue as the people will be suspicious of the party if it does not take up the issue. Everything will have to come out either today or tomorrow. The day will surely come when the landed property grabbers have to go to jail," he said adding that he had even met Prime Minister Modi to appeal him for ordering a probe into the findings of his report.

"The PM has said he will soon look into the matter. The Union Government too has woken up after taking note of my report, which is attached with 10,000 pages of supporting documents as proof. Siddaramaiah is walking his own imaginary way and perhaps he is not seeing the right path down under. Of late, he is issuing absurd and irresponsible statements, instead of ordering a fair and impartial probe into all encroachments," Manippady argued.

CM reacts

Meanwhile, CM Siddaramaiah said that the State Government has written to the Centre on State BJP Chief B.Y. Vijayendra's Rs. 150 crore offer to Manippady, based on video records.

Maintaining that the media very well knows whether the voice in the video is that of Anwar Manippady or not, he asserted that the Centre can very well order a CBI probe if Manippady's assertion that Congress leaders will be caught if a CBI probe is conducted.

Congress MLA Harris has encroached on Waqf land

Congress MLA N.A. Harris is involved in the encroachment of Waqf properties. He has grabbed 24 acres of land along Bengaluru International Airport Road, which has been registered in the name of his (Harris) wife and mother. Former Union Minister K. Rahman Khan too has transferred prime landed properties to benami persons by misusing his power. A fair probe into encroachments would reveal the factual quantum of farmer lands and that of Waqf properties.

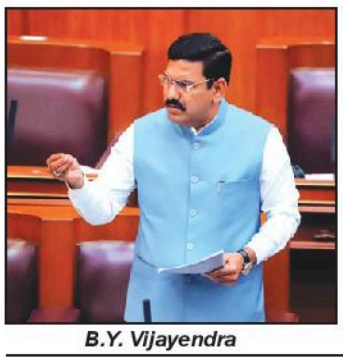
—Anwar Manippady, former Chairman, Karnataka State Minorities Commission

Vijayendra rebuffs CM's Waqf land bribe allegations

Asks CM to hand over MUDA and Valmiki Corpn. multi-crore scams to CBI

Belagavi, Dec.16 (DM)- Taking on the Congress Government for accusing him of offering Rs. 150 crore to the then Karnataka State Minorities Development Corporation Chairman Anwar Manippady, who is also a BJP leader, for remaining silent on Waqf Board land encroachments, State BJP President and MLA B.Y. Vijayendra said that the Congress had made this baseless charge against him to divert attention from its own scandals.

Speaking at the Winter Session of the State Legislature, which resumed after a 2-day break at Suvarna Vidhana Soudha (SVS) in Belagavi this morning, Vijayendra responded in detail to the charges levelled against him by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.


B.Y. Vijayendra

R. Ashoka

Expressing his frustration over what he termed frivolous accusations, Vijayendra stated that the charges were made by CM Siddaramaiah and Minister Priyank Kharge while he was not present in the House.

Reiterating that he had not offered any money to Manippady, he noted that the CM has now announced that the Government has decided to order a CBI (Central Bureau of Investigation) probe into the allegations against him.

"I am glad to see the CM has finally expressed confidence in the CBI, an agency he had previously accused of bias and targeting Opposition leaders," Vijayendra said. He further emphasised that the Congress Government should also hand over cases like the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) scam, in which the CM himself is involved and the Valmiki Development Corporation scam to the CBI.

Vijayendra alleged that the CM's Rs. 150 crore offer charge was an attempt to save his own skin and shift public focus away from the scandals plaguing the State Government.

While Vijayendra was speaking, Ministers Priyank Kharge and Krishna Byregowda intervened to reiterate the charges against him, leading to heated exchanges. Opposition Leader in the State Assembly R. Ashoka and BJP MLA Arvind Bellad rose in support of Vijayendra.

Subsequently, a fierce debate erupted between the ruling and Opposition benches. Speaker U.T. Khader intervened and appealed for calm, but his efforts went in vain as the leaders continued to exchange barbs, creating a temporary uproar in the House. The current session will conclude on Dec. 19.

Obituary

Kalpesh V. Mehta

Mysuru, Dec. 16 - Kalpesh V. Mehta (48), a resident of Vontikoppal, passed away following a heart attack at a private hospital in city this morning. He leaves behind his parents, wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this evening.

Coorg Wildlife Society AGM amidst expulsion of former President

Col. C.P. Muthanna (retd.)

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (BCT)- The Annual General Body meeting (AGM) of the Coorg Wildlife Society will be held at its office in Madikeri on Dec. 17 (tomorrow) against the backdrop of the expulsion of former President Col. C.P. Muthanna (Retd.) from the Society.

The Coorg Wildlife Society, now headed by K. A. Chengappa, has a rich history of advocating for protection and restoration of the district's wildlife. It carries out wildlife conservation by collaborating with Government agencies and conservation organisations and influences the creation of effective laws to promote land management practices that support wildlife preservation.

At the Executive Committee meeting held last month, a unanimous decision was made to expel Col. Muthanna from the Society due to alleged misconduct and use of abusive language against a fellow Committee member.

Following a written complaint, the Committee issued three show cause notices to Col. Muthanna, in line with the Society's rules and regulations, but he did not respond.

In November, the Executive Committee convened to discuss the incident and passed a resolution to expel Col. Muthanna with a more than two-thirds majority, in accordance with the Society's bylaws.

Reacting to the development, Col. Muthanna told *Star of Mysore* that the charges of using abusive language were just an excuse to remove him from Society.

"Unfortunately, certain vested interests have taken over the Society now who want to bring destructive projects to Kodagu which I am against and I have filed many cases in the Courts. This is a ploy to weaken me and my stand to safeguard nature," he said.

However, Society President Chengappa and Executive Committee member Naveen Bopaiah dismissed these claims, emphasising that the Committee acted strictly as per the law and Society regulations.

"We are also against bringing destructive projects in Kodagu. There are many issues like conflict of interest, funding and allegiance to other environmental bodies that do not come under the Coorg Wildlife Society. The issue is expected to be further discussed at the AGM tomorrow," they said.

Flower Show at Palace

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To ensure freshness, flowers and vegetables will be replaced midway through the event. Additionally, the Varaha Garden will be adorned with a vertical garden using specially procured plants.

Special initiatives

This spectacular celebration of nature and culture promises to enthral thousands of tourists and visitors, making it a must-visit event in Mysuru's calendar. From the inaugural day of Dec. 21 till Dec. 25, there will be different cultural programmes every evening.

The Bombe Mane will feature doll displays by Geetha Srihari: Shankaram Loka Shubhamkaram, C. Jayashree Nagaprasad: Sarvashakti Swaroopini Narayani, Hemalatha Kumaraswamy: Karnataka Vaibhava Suvarna Sambhrama, Annapoorna Gopalakrishna: Bhagavata Krishna Leelamrutha and Leelavathi: Devi Leelamrutha.

Specially selected photographs will be displayed that include works of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, Dasara — then and now, and a film about Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and the Mysore Palace. Also, the 2025 calendar will be released and there will be a tree-planting programme.

As a symbolic gesture, 500 medicinal plants, including Aloe Vera, Tulsi, Jasmine and Betel leaf, will be distributed to dignitaries and visitors. Classical instrumental music, featuring compositions by Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, will enrich the viewing experience.

MCC Pourakarmikas to be regularised in stages: Minister

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MK&DM)- Urban Development Minister Byrathi Suresh (B.S. Suresh) said that there were 1,366 non-regular Pourakarmikas working in Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) for the past 10 years.

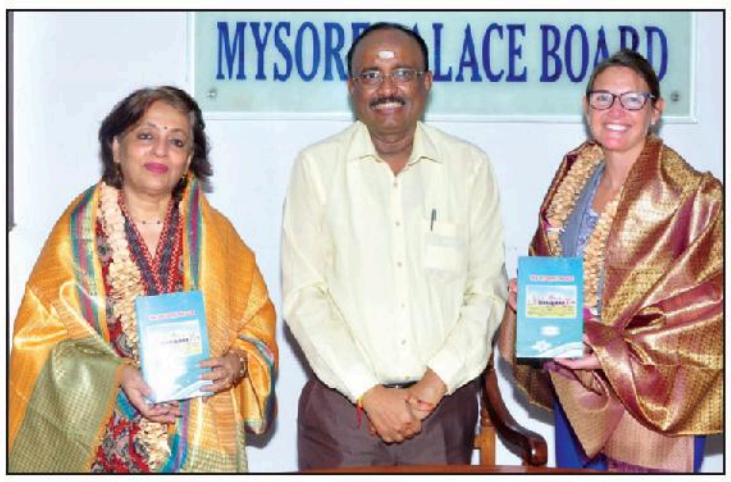
Replying to a question by Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda during Question Hour at the ongoing Winter Session of the State Legislature at Suvarna Vidhana Soudha (SVS) in Belagavi on Saturday, Suresh said that non-regular MCC Pourakarmikas are being paid a salary of Rs. 21,115 inclusive of ESI and PF and a distress allowance of Rs. 3,000.

Pointing out that regularisation of their services would mean that Pourakarmikas have to be paid a monthly wage of Rs. 35,453, he said that the regularisation of service of Pourakarmikas has been taken up in stages since 2017.

Noting that the MCC would have to bear an additional expenditure of Rs. 18,58,52,496 annually if the services of Pourakarmikas are regularised, the Minister said that the Government would soon appoint 24,005 Pourakarmikas in BBMP and other Urban local bodies directly.

Also, 2,127 Pourakarmikas will be appointed on a regular basis directly for vacant posts , he added.

Anil Kumble, U.S. Consulate Officers visit Palace



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The family viewed the paintings and artefacts displayed in the Palace along with the Kalyana Mantap, Public Durbar Hall, Private Durbar Hall and the Garden located in front of the Palace.

After the Palace tour, Anil Kumble wrote in English in the visitors book: "Pride of Karnataka! Thank you for the tour of the Palace."

Writing in Kannada, he had a word of praise for the Palace Board for conserving and maintain the monument.

Jeanne Briganti, Public Affairs Officer at the U.S. Consulate General Chennai, who was in Mysuru recently to inspect the ongoing restoration works at the Folklore Museum housed at Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion in Manasagangothri, also visited the Palace along with Ratna Mukherjee, Public Engagement Specialist, Office of Public Affairs, US Consulate General, Chennai.

SAD DEMISE

Regret to inform you all, the sad demise of

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Grand Hanumanthotsava procession held in Hunsur

Hunsur, Dec. 16 (OSR)- The 30th Hanumanthotsava, organised by the Hanumanthotsava Committee and Anjanadri Trust, was celebrated with immense enthusiasm and the cheers of thousands of devotees yesterday in Hunsur.

The festivities began at 11 am at Ranganatha Layout, where MLA G.D. Harish Gowda, former MLA H.P. Manjunath, former MP Pratap Simha, A.C. Vijayakumar, Srirama Sene State President Pramod Mutalik, Nataraj Swamiji of Gavadgere Gurulinga Jangama Mutt, Samba Sadashiva Swamiji of Ukkinkanthe Mutt in Madalli, Kalaswami of Hoskoppalu Mutt in Hassan district and other dignitaries showered flower petals at the *Nandi Kamba.*

They also performed a ceremonial puja for the Anjaneya Swamy idol before flagging off the grand procession. Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar arrived later but actively participated in the procession till the conclusion alongside former MP Pratap Simha.

A visual spectacle

The Hanumanthotsava procession was a visual spectacle, featuring vibrant festival idols of deities like Dattatreya, Shivalinga, Kodandarama, and Panchaloha idols of Rama-Lakshmana-Sita, sourced from 13 different Garadi houses. These were organised by Janajagruthi Vedike, the Merchants' Association on JLB Road, Sriram Mandira, Kalkunike and the Hanumanthotsava Committee.

The procession also showcased captivating folk art performances adding to the vibrancy. Traditional musical ensembles lent a rhythmic backdrop to the event.

The procession which began at Ranganatha Layout passed through key landmarks, including Kalkunike Circle, Shabari Circle, the old bridge, Constitution Circle, S.J. Road, Kote Circle, JLB Road, Lakshmi Vilas Circle, Jabbar Road, Akshay Bhandar, the new bus stand, and Kalpataru Circle before culminating at the Anjaneya Swamy Temple by 6 pm.

Devotees enthusiastically chanted 'Jai Sri Ram' and danced to devotional songs blaring from loudspeakers. A group of young women, adorned in saffron scarves, added vibrancy to the celebrations with their spirited dance performances.

Community gesture

Youth served the devotees light refreshments, fruits and panaka at various points. In a gesture of harmony and brotherhood, Muslim community members on Bazaar Road distributed buttermilk, bananas, and sweets to devotees.

As part of the celebrations, traders along the procession route closed their shops in solidarity with the event. Over 10,000 participants, adorned in saffron scarves and carrying saffron flags, added vibrancy to the occasion. The streets were decked with saffron-coloured flags and buntings, transforming the entire town into a sea of saffron.

To ensure security, Superintendent of Police N. Vishnuvardhan led a contingent of 1,500 Police personnel, maintaining a tight vigil to prevent any untoward incidents.

Celebrations at Srirangapatna concludes with Sankirthan Yatra

Srirangapatna, Dec. 16 OSR)- Thousands of 'Hanuman Maaladhaaris' participated in a grand Sankirthan Yatra yesterday as part of Hanuman Jayanthi celebrations at Srirangapatna, showcasing devotion and enthusiasm across the town.

The event commenced at the Anjaneya Swamy Temple, located on the banks of the River Cauvery on the town's outskirts. Hindu leader Manohar Mathad performed a special puja and offered floral tributes to Anjaneya Swamy before flagging off the Sankirthan Yatra procession.

The 'Hanuman Maaladhaaris' chanting "Jai Sri Ram" and "Bajrang Bali," waved saffron flags and sang bhajans and kirtans as they proceeded from the temple to the historic Moodalabagilu Anjaneya Swamy Temple.

The route included Summer Palace, the Mysuru-Bengaluru National Highway and the old fort gate, culminating at the temple by noon. Many children and participants dressed as Sri Ram, Lakshman and Hanuman, added colour to the procession.

The Sankirthan Yatra witnessed the participation of thousands of Hanuman devotees from Mandya, Ramanagara, Mysuru, Maddur, Pandavapura, Nagamangala, K.R. Pet, and nearby villages.

After completing religious rituals, the 'Hanuman Maaladhaaris' ceremoniously offered their malas at the Moodalabagilu Anjaneya Swamy Temple. Devotees, committee heads and members from across the district were present, marking the event as a significant spiritual gathering.

Tight security measures

To manage the large influx of devotees, Srirangapatna Police implemented stringent security measures to ensure the event proceeded without incident. The security team included one Deputy Inspector General of Police, three Superintendents of Police, three Additional SPs, 20 Dy.SPs, 1,708 Policemen, eight District Armed Reserve platoons, five Quick Response Teams, nine Karnataka State Reserve Police platoons and 300 Home Guards. Enhanced measures were taken near Tipu Mosque, where strict security was enforced. Drone cameras and CCTV systems were installed at key locations to maintain vigilance.

At the Municipal Circle near the Mosque, 'Hanuman Maaladhaaris' performed a puja, broke coconuts, lit camphor and sat on the road chanting bhajans dedicated to Lord Ram and Anjaneya Swamy.

When the Yatra reached the Municipal Circle, some participants shouted slogans. Police officers intervened and urged the group to continue on the main road. This led to a verbal altercation and minor scuffles between the devotees and the Police.

Waqf Board Property Row

Why should Vijayendra offer bribe to 'protect' Congress netas?

It is a farce: Ex-MLC Madhusudan

Former MLC G. Madhusudan addressing media persons at City BJP Office this morning as (from left) Assistant Media Convener B.M. Santosh Kumar, Rural BJP President L.R. Mahadevaswamy, City BJP President L. Nagendra and Media Convener M.S. Mahesh Raje Urs look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (BLU&BS)- Amid the latest tussle among Congress and Opposition BJP-JD(S) about State BJP President B.Y. Vijayendra allegedly offering Rs. 150 crore bribe to silence the then Chairman of Karnataka State Minorities Commission Anwar Manippady, who had accused several of the leaders to have grabbed Karnataka State Waqf Board's properties, former MLC G. Madhusudan said that among those who have usurped Waqf properties the majority are Congress leaders.

Madhusudan was addressing media persons at City BJP Office in Chamarajapuram, this morning.

Madhusudan, who was the Chairman of Privileges Committee during 2013-15, recalled the initial developments, following the tabling of the report by Manippady then, highlighting the extent of Waqf properties encroached upon by the netas.

"Upa-Lokayukta Justice Anand had probed into the findings of Manippady's report and had submitted a report in six volumes, that is with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah too. Qamarul Islam was the Minister for Minorities Welfare and had pooh-poohed Manipaddy's report as utter lies. Dr. A.H. Shivayogi Swamy had handed over the probe to Privileges Committee headed by myself and I had also replied on the floor of the House that, Qamarul Islam had lied in his defence," said Madhusudan.

L.K. Atheeq Ahmed, IAS Officer, who had deposed before the Committee, had also presented in detail about the places wherever irregularities had occurred.

The Waqf lands at Bidar and Kalaburagi have been encroached upon, including the land belonging to Khwaja Bandanawaz dargah.

Mallikarjun Kharge, N. Dharam Singh, C.M. Ibrahim and Qamarul Islam have constructed Asian Mall and Apartment, to protect which Junior Kharge (referring to Priyank Kharge, RDPR Minister in Siddaramaiah's Cabinet) is speaking vociferously due to the fear of losing the asset.

The land where Windsor Manor hotel stands in Bengaluru is spread over 1.65 lakh square feet of land totalling four acres, but former Union Minister K. Rahman Khan has encroached upon 40,000 square feet of land valued at Rs. 2.39 lakh crore, alleged Madhusudhan.

"Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is struggling without any funds to pay for Bhagya schemes amounting to Rs. 5 lakh crore. If the aforementioned assets are auctioned, several more schemes can be implemented and even Shakti, the free bus scheme for women, can be extended to men. Moreover, all brands of liquor can be served for free from Mysore Sales International Limited (MSIL)," said Madhusudan in a mocking tone.

He also likened the recent statement of CM Siddaramaiah on Waqf to the case of 'Drone' Prathap who experimented with explosives by throwing a mix of chemical pastes into water.

It is the biggest joke of the year 2024 that Vijayendra had gone to Manippady's house to offer him Rs. 150 crore bribe to save Congress leaders, who had been named in Waqf row, said Madhusudan, dismissing the claims of Siddaramaiah.

City BJP President L. Nagendra, Rural President L.R. Mahadevaswamy, Media Convener M.S. Mahesh Raje Urs and Assistant Media Convener B.M. Santosh Kumar were present.

MYBUILD-24 to conclude today

Over 25,000 people visited the expo till yesterday

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&KS)- The 24th Edition of MYBUILD-24, an exhibition of construction materials, interiors and lifestyles, organised by the Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre, at Maharaja's College Grounds in city will conclude with a valedictory function at 4 pm today. The expo has received good response with over 25,000 people visiting the expo till yesterday.

The five-day expo was jointly inaugurated by Dr. Sri Karivrushabha Deshikendra Shivayogeshwara Mahaswamiji of Somekatte Sri Kadasiddeshwara Mutt, Nonavinakere, Viraktha Mutt, Turuvekere and University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof. N.K. Lokanath on Dec. 12.

The expo having 156 stalls features many National and international companies displaying their innovative products such as building materials, pavements, generators, plumbing systems, bath room fittings, kitchen cabinets, interiors, floor tiles, roofing materials, prefab buildings, construction chemicals, construction equipment, aluminium windows, PVC and moulded doors, building safety measures, elevators, lights & lighting products, pre engineered buildings, landscaping resources and rain water harvesting systems among others. The proceeds from the expo will be spent on training programmes and welfare of construction workers through Mysore Builders Charitable Trust.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Pastiche

Pronunciation: pass-TEESH (Noun)
Meaning: Pastiche refers to something (such as a piece of writing, music, etc.) that imitates the style of someone or something else. It can also refer to a work that is made up of selections from multiple other works, or it can be used as a synonym of hodgepodge.
Origin: When we say the origins of the word pastiche are totally tubular, we're not just being saucy — we mean it. In Italian, pasticcio (more specifically pasticcio di maccheroni) refers to a decadent pie consisting of a sweet crust filled with meat, truffles, béchamel, and macaroni — that famously tube-shaped pasta. Given such a jumble of (albeit delicious) ingredients, it makes sense that pasticcio in Italian has also long carried such additional meanings as "a mess or confused affair" and "a confused or mixed piece of writing." It is these meanings that influenced both the English word pasticcio, in use since the 18th century, and the French word pastiche, which English borrowed in late 19th century and is now much more common. Both refer to hodgepodges of all kinds, but are often applied to creative works — literary, artistic, musical, architectural — that imitate earlier styles or that are made up of parts from other works.
Example: "[Ween] were the rare American college radio darlings to directly engage with Black music, by reinforcing the spiritual connections between glam rock and funk and psychedelia. ... But if their early displays of Prince worship blurred the line between pastiche and parody, Chocolate and Cheese offered their most sincere simulacrums of funk and soul to date." —Stuart Berman, Pitchfork, 1 Sept. 2024.

THE ODD WORD

Gynophobia

Fear of women.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Come Hell or High Water

Meaning: When you say 'Come Hell or High Water' you mean that you are willing to do whatever it takes to overcome difficulty or obstacles.
Origin: The expression 'Come hell or high water' originated in America. The first printed reference comes from an Iowa newspaper, The Burlington Weekly Hawk Eye, dated May 1882: "Since that time the best of my friends had become enemies and strangers have become friends. The devil had broke loose in many parts of the country and keeping up with the old saying, we've had unrevised hell and high water, and a mighty heap of high water, I tell you."
Example: I'm going to make it to dance on Saturday, come hell or high water!

QUOTE BOX

Order and simplification are the first steps toward the mastery of a subject.

—Thomas Mann

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus

Answer: Lay down the law.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Smart and stylish
5 One of your limbs
8 Is unwell or sick
12 Hawaiian city
13 Regional Airline Assoc.
14 Happy song
15 Financial or budgetary
17 Tennis star Nastase
18 Take to the air
19 Aircraft shed
21 Filled to satisfaction
24 Housie or lotto?
25 Feline sound
26 Investigate
27 Three as a prefix
30 Part of a compass box
31 One of the As of AAP
32 A metal
33 International racqueteer gp.?
34 Our country, as a prefix
35 Mexican coin
36 Conceal; put away in a safe place
38 Bed cloth
39 Narrow escape
41 "A" in IAF?
42 It belongs to us - and turns "sour"?
43 Took the role of a stand-in for
48 Falsehoods or fibs
49 In-flight entertainment
50 Amount deducted from weight
51 US poet, _____ Pound
52 Text to speech, acronym
53 Brink or border

DOWN
1 Fidel's friend Guevara
2 Sound of a hiccup?
3 Intl. Lab. Org.
4 Consult together or discuss
5 Body of soldiers
6 Bollywood's Aishwarya ___ Bachchan
7 Exaggerated masculinity
8 Maturing or growing old
9 Obtained illegally (3-6)
10 Star Wars princess
11 One who can see into future
16 Ancient or aged
20 American Natl. Standards Inst.
21 Regurgitate
22 Female relative
23 Financial officer
24 ____ International Circuit: Indian GP venue
26 Ancient Indian language
28 ___ to : develop powers equal to (the occasion)?
29 Privy to (2,2)
31 Amer Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics
35 Corsair
37 "As set" anagram for a girl's name?
38 "Little" abbr.
39 Singular fish!
40 Test of knowledge
41 Mimics
44 Kind of newt
45 Scoundrel
46 Unit of energy
47 The fourth letter by the sound of it?

THURSDAY'S ANSWER

A	N	G	■	A	P	R	■	■	F	O	R	
B	I	N	■	N	E	A	R	■	P	A	L	I
C	H	U	R	I	N	G	A	■	I	T	E	M
■	■	■	I	T	A	L	I	A	N	■	■	■
■	N	A	G	A	L	A	N	D	■	T	U	B
T	A	C	O	■	■	N	Y	E	R	E	R	E
H	O	H	U	M	■	■	■	N	U	M	B	S
E	M	E	R	I	T	I	■	■	S	P	A	T
M	I	D	■	L	E	N	G	T	H	E	N	■
■	■	■	S	E	T	F	R	E	E	■	■	■
S	T	E	P	■	R	E	I	N	D	E	E	R
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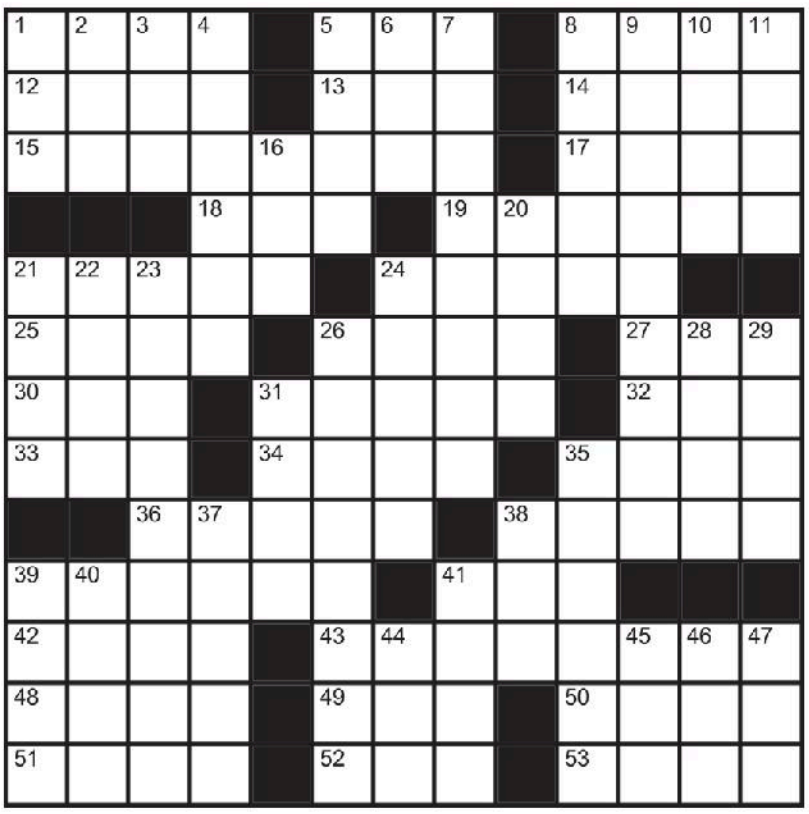

SUDOKU

					9	2		
8		6	4		5			
	5			1				
	7	4						3
3	2						7	9
9						4	1	
				7			6	
			8		1	7		2
		8	9					

Answer to previous puzzle

6	7	3	9	5	2	1	4	8
1	8	2	4	7	3	5	6	9
4	9	5	1	8	6	3	7	2
8	6	7	3	9	4	2	1	5
3	4	1	5	2	7	9	8	6
2	5	9	8	6	1	4	3	7
5	2	4	7	3	8	6	9	1
7	3	8	2	1	9	8	5	4
9	1	8	6	4	5	7	2	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

T'B IETVTZN D YGGH. T'LX NGV

VFX KDNX ZJBYXEM SGZX.

TODAY'S CLUE: N EQUALS G

Thursday's Cryptoquip: Remember half the people you know are below average.

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	(S-2)	9.40 pm; (S-3) 6.05 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H)	(S-1)	5.50 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	(S-4)	2.10 pm, 6 pm, 9.50 pm
Rudhiram (Ma)	(S-1)	9.50 pm
Soodhukavvum 2 (Ta)	(S-2)	11.05 am
Bairathi Ranagal (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	(S-2)	4.40 pm; (S-3) 1.55 pm
	(S-4)	11.55 am
Miss You (Ta)	(S-2)	7 pm
The Lord of the Rings (E)	(S-3)	11.10 am, 9.55 pm
Haridasara Dinachari (K)	(S-3)	4 pm

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Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	:	1 pm, 4.45 pm
		7.30 pm, 9 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	:	1.30 pm, 5.15 pm
		9.30 pm
Amaran (K)	:	1.15 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	4.25 pm
Rudhiram (Ma)	:	7 pm

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Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H)	:	9 am, 10.30 am, 1 pm
		2.30 pm, 5 pm, 6.30 pm
		9 pm, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	:	9.30 am, 1.30 pm
		5.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	:	9.40 am, 1.40 pm
		8 pm, 10 pm
The Lord of the Rings (E)	:	10.35 am, 7.05 pm
Thalapathi (Ta)	:	11.15 am
Solo Leveling - ReAwakening (Japanese)	:	1.30 pm
Miss You (Ta)	:	2.40 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	4.10 pm
Mera Naam Joker (1970) (H)	:	5.30 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	:	5.40 pm
Bobby (H)	:	10.30 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	:	9.45 am, 1.45 pm
		5.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H)	:	10.30 am, 2.30 pm, 5.30 pm
		6.30 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	:	11.40 am, 6 pm, 10 pm
Fear (Te)	:	12 noon
Aaram Arvindswamy (K)	:	2.35 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	:	3.40 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob: 7829999465

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	:	9.30 am, 1.30 pm
		5.30 pm, 10 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	:	10 am, 2 pm
		6 pm, 9.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H)	:	10.30 am, 11.40 am, 2.30 pm
		6.30 pm, 9 pm, 10.30 pm
Moana 2 (E-2D)	:	3.40 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	6.05 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H)	:	9.30 am, 10.30 am, 1.30 pm
		5.30 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	:	10 am, 2 pm
		6 pm, 10 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	:	10.10 am, 2.30 pm
		5 pm, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Ma)	:	9 pm
Miss You (Ta)	:	2.10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 16)

- **Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** 24th Edition of MY-BUILD-24, Maharaja's College Grounds, **up to 9 pm.**
- **MYCAS College, Mysuru:** Releasing of the book 'Founders Next Door,' authored by the students of B.Com (Hons.) (Financial Management); Prof. N. Nagaraja, Registrar (Evaluation), University of Mysore (UoM), Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Executive Editor Kannada Prabha, Rangaswamy Mookanahalli, Author and Economist, N. Ravi Shankar, CEO, Aim High India and G. Ramacharan, Director-Operation, MYCAS College, will be present on the occasion, IBIS Styles Hotel, KRS Road, Mysuru, **4 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamsthana Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Vishnu Deepotsava, Ganapati Homa, Sudarshana Homa, Purnahuti, Sri Lakshmikanthaswamy Utsava, **4.30 pm;** Deepotsava, Sri Lakshmikantha Temple, opp. Infosys, Hebbal, **6 pm.**
- **Memorial Programme:** Gana Garudiga S. Siddarth Memorial Music Programme, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5 pm.**
- **Datta Sene and Upanyasa Malike Samiti, Mysuru:** Discourse on 'Veda Swaroopa Parichaya' by 'Pravachana Chakravarti' Dr. Pavagada Prakash Rao, Bengaluru, Avadhoota Datta Peetham Pontiff Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji and Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji will inaugurate the discourse event tomorrow at 5.30 pm. Melukote Vangipura Mutt Seer Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji, ADC Dr. P. Shivaraju, former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, industrialist Mahesh Shenoy, retd. ADGP Bhaskar Rao, social worker Raghuram Vajpayee, District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash and Saptarshi Souharda Society Director Nagachandra guests, Nada Mantapa, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram premises, Nanjangud Road, **5.30 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru and Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam, Mysuru:** 'Thiruppavai' discourse by K.S. Sridharan, retd. Sanskrit Professor, Maharani's College, Bengaluru, Sanatani Sabha, 2nd Main, 10th Cross, Jayanagar, Mysuru, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** 'Thiruppavai' discourse by Vidu. Dr. K.L. Prasannakshi, retd. Sanskrit Professor, Maharani's Arts College, Mysuru, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority Cluster Temples Cultural Programmes:** Hanuma Jayanti, devotional songs by Vidushi Dr. Suma Harinath, accompanied by Vidwan Chethan on violin and Vidwan Shyam on mridanga, Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, Palace North Gate, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 17)

- **Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** Dattatreya Jayanti celebrations, Devi Homa, **8 am;** Abhishekha, Sri Chakra Puja and Anna Samaradhana, Nada Mantapa, Ashram premises, Nanjangud Road, **9 am.**
- **Railway Pensioners Welfare Association:** Pensioners' Day, Shilpi Agarwal, Divisional Railway Manager, SWR Mysuru, chief guest, Vishnu Gouda, Sr. Divisional Personnel Officer and R.C. Harsha Vardhan, Sr. Divisional Financial Manager, Mysuru, will address the pensioners, Parthasarathy, President of the Association, presides, SC/ST Association auditorium, Seshadri Iyer Road, **10.15 am.**
- **Dastkaar Haat:** Indian Handloom and Handicraft Exhibition, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind Old DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Datta Sene and Upanyasa Malike Samiti:** Discourse on 'Upanishad Darshana' by Dr. Pavagada Prakash Rao, Bengaluru, Adarsha Seva Sangha President G.R. Nagaraj, hotelier Ravi Shastri, Hoysala Karnataka Sangha President K.R. Sathyanarayana, Lakshmipuram Circle Inspector Ravishankar, Congress leader Jayaraj, Haridasa Samiti President Ravikumar, Developer Girish, Vontikoppal Sri Lakshmi Venkataramanaswamy Temple Trustee Puttaswamy chief guests, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Nanjangud Road, **5.30 pm.**
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Music Workshop

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Sugama Sangeetha Workshop by well-known musician Ratnamala Prakash has been organised under the auspices of Mysore Anathaswamy Memorial Trust on Dec. 21 and 22.

Ratnamala

Those interested in attending the workshop may contact Mob: 72047-31885 or 98451-21840.

Profile: A Mysurean by birth, Ratnamala Prakash is a well-known name in the field of music. She was initiated into Karnatak Classical Music, at a very young age by her father, doyen of Karnatak Music Dr. R.K. Srikantan. Her foray into Sugama Sangeetha (light music) began under the tutelage of Padmacharan and Mysore Ananthaswamy.

L. Vaidyanathan, C. Ashwath, M. Ranga Rao, Vijaya Bhaskar, Rajan-Nagendra, Hamsalekha are some of the Music Directors who have recorded her melodious voice along with stalwarts like Dr. Rajkumar, SPB, Yesudas. 'Tangaaliyante baalalli bande...' from movie *Guri,* 'Santhasa Araluva Samaya...,' from *Elu Suttina Kote,* 'Meru giriyaane neeli kadalaane...' from *SP Sangliyana Part II* are some of the evergreen songs that she has sung.

Ratnamala has been bestowed with many awards, Karnataka Kalashree Award by Karnataka Sangeetha Nrithya Academy (1990), Kannada Rajyotsava Award by Government of Karnataka (1991), Santa Shishunala Sharif Award by Kannada and Culture Department, Government of Karnataka (2016) and the prestigious Sangeet Natak Academy Award for Other Major Traditions of Music-Sugama Sangeetha in 2016.

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